



TUESDAY E-FOLDER – May 4, 2021

Dear Travis Families,

Here are items to note for the Week of May 3-7, 2021:

PARENT LEARNING OPPORTUNITY -- BIRDS & BEES BASICS and PUBERTY PREP

Join us for a virtual presentation and Q&A session covering **Puberty Prep for Parents** with award-winning author **Amy Lang, MA** **TODAY (Tuesday, May 4)**, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. This live Zoom session is a follow-up from her April 15 'Birds & Bees Basics' presentation geared mainly toward parents of 5th graders, but open to interested parents of any grade. This second installment of Travis's *Parent Learning Series* are recorded, parent-only events. Special thanks to the **Travis Foundation** for making these talks possible. See below for more information, handout links, and to register, see below:

- <https://tinyurl.com/BBKTRAVPUB>
- https://drive.google.com/file/d/1f9WCV_2gMrR1cRY2QPBKHdaj_tBEfCeS/view?usp=sharing

*This live Zoom session will be recorded for any parents/guardians unable to attend at the scheduled date and time. Part of the Q+A segments will not be recorded to respect/protect individual privacy. Parents will have an option to submit 'anonymous' questions in advance, via email, directly to Amy Lang, MA, amy@birdsandbeesandkids.com.

'TRAVIS HAS TALENT' GRANDE FINALE

Wow! What an amazing week celebrating the unbelievably talented students, teachers, and staff of Travis Elementary. The hard work of the Travis Has Talent team and the generosity of our WHOLE community was on full display Saturday night as we came together in support of our school. We are in awe of the success of the event and how thankful we are feeling for each of YOU! Our initial reporting indicates we raised over **\$97,000 for the Travis Community!** These funds are necessary to continue supporting staff augmentation, teacher development, student enrichment, parent programming and school infrastructure vital to Travis' core values.

Huge thanks to our stagehands who made the event possible!

Carlyn Burton

Catherine Bellshaw

Suzanne Driskill

Kris Sonneborn

Ms. Day

Ms. Wadler

Ms. Q

Mr. Day

Ms. Lytle

Jessie Sumners

Andrea French

Adam Rivon

Ashley Throckmorton

Jamie McMinn

Karen Duffy

Ms. Sims

Renee Pisklak

Rihanna Hart

Ryan Grant

Sara McKenna

Stephanie Riceman

Room Parents

The Travis Foundation is accepting board member applications!

Do you want to help shape the future of Travis Elementary? Now is your moment! As a group, the Board meets once per month to review grant applications and to provide strategic planning for fundraising and community building events. Individually, the members contribute by serving as officers and committee participants, as well as providing leadership and expertise based on their abilities, backgrounds, and current interests.

The Travis Foundation is now [accepting applications](#) for (5) two-year positions and (1) one-year position (we're looking at you rising 5th grade parents!).

Mark your calendars for Thursday, May 6th at 5pm to join the current Foundation Board at Fegen's to learn more and discuss how you can get involved.

Fegen's has reserved their whole outdoor patio for us so come, spread out and enjoy a cocktail while you hear about the amazing things we have planned for our 2021-2022 school year!

VIRTUAL ART SHOW: FINAL DAYS!

A big thank you for all the support you have shown our artists during our very first virtual art show! If you have not had a chance to check out all the amazing masterpieces, we have hit the final days. **The show will be closing tomorrow, Wednesday, May 5th.** You do not want to miss the opportunity to view and share your child(ren)'s artwork as well as participate in the scavenger hunt. All students who answer correctly will receive a prize at the end of the week. Don't forget you can purchase a matted and framed artwork for \$28, with a portion of this sale will benefit the Travis art program. **Visit our art show**

at: www.artome3.com/traviselementary77009 and the Scavenger Hunt

at: <https://forms.gle/ehkzWWDa2HYGFPTCA>. Thanks again! -- **Summer Quiñones (Mrs. Q)**, Travis Art Teacher Danielle.Quinones@houstonisd.org

ONE BOOK, ONE SCHOOL IS UNDERWAY!

We hope you and your family are enjoying Travis' annual *One Book, One School* family reading event with ***The Toothpaste Millionaire***, by Jean Merrill! Please see below for the **daily reading schedule**, which can also be found on the **bookmarks** placed in your family's book. (Books were sent home last week, however, if we missed you, copies are available for pickup in the Travis office.) Please note that we will continue to have the **daily trivia questions** on morning announcements. Students learning in-person will participate from their classroom and students learning virtually may participate via this Google Form for Trivia: <https://forms.gle/wpeFS9SVLX4rBqi59>. Questions? Just email me at tvetrano@houstonisd.org. Happy reading! -- **Theresa Sims**, Travis Librarian

Reading Schedule

5/3 pgs. 1-6

5/4 pgs. 7-17

5/5 pgs. 18-24

5/6 pgs. 25-34

5/7 pgs. 35-46

5/10 pgs. 47-54

5/11 pgs. 55-63

5/12 pgs. 64-78

5/13 pgs. 79-88

5/14 pgs. 89-100

5/17 pgs. 101-108

5/18 pgs. 109-119

LOST & FOUND

Is your child missing a jacket, water bottle, book, or toy? The Lost & Found is brimming with beloved belongings, and yours could be one of them. Please make sure to stop by during school hours and check for your child(ren)'s missing belongings before items are donated. The Lost & Found is conveniently located in the foyer across from the office near the front entrances to the school.

MARATHON KIDS MILEAGE LOGS DUE IN MAY

Our students have been working hard logging lots of Marathon Kid running miles this year, and so far they have completed over **16,144 miles!** Our Marathon Kids Finish Line Celebration will take place during PE classes the week of May 17-21. Remember to turn in those completed mileage logs to me! The mileage log form can be found here: [MK Mileage Logs.pdf](#). Here are the goals that students were given at the beginning of the 2021:

- Kinder & 1st grade: Complete at least ONE or more marathons.
- 2nd & 3rd grade: Complete at least TWO or more marathons.
- 4th & 5th grade: Complete at least THREE or more marathons

Congratulations to the students who have already completed their goal and turned in their mileage logs! For more information, contact PE Teacher, **Coach Sharon Dodd** at ssipps@houstonisd.org.

SILVER ROCKET 2021

Calling all artists! Do you have a poem or piece of visual art you'd like to share? *Silver Rocket*, Travis Elementary's literary magazine, is accepting submissions for the 2021 issue. This year things look a little different and our timeline is a lot shorter, BUT we are eager to produce this awesome artifact and showcase the creativity and imaginations of our Travis Tigers. If your child would like to participate, there are two ways to submit their art or poetry. (1) place it in the *Silver Rocket* box at the front office; or (2) email it to silverrocketzine@gmail.com. On the back of the submission, please remember to write your child's name, grade, and teacher AND whether they'd like their artwork returned to them.

Submission deadline: Friday, May 14, 2021.

HOGG MIDDLE NEW FAMILY EVENT

Join us for an **IN-PERSON** New Family Hogg Middle School 'Meet and Greet' on **Saturday, May 15** from 9:00-11:00 am on the Hogg Field. Students are welcome to bring a basketball or soccer ball and kick around (or just mingle) and connect with future classmates while parents connect. Spread the word to all new Hogg families: PTA parents will be there ready to answer all those nagging questions! While this is a safely, socially distanced outdoor event, we understand that some are not ready for in-person socializing. We will therefore offer a **Zoom Parent Q&A** on **Monday, May 17** at 6:30 pm for parents who cannot join us on Saturday.

SPANISH IMMERSION SUMMER CAMP

Language Kids World, a longtime partner of Travis Elementary, is offering both virtual and in-person summer camps and classes in Spanish, Mandarin Chinese, French, German, Italian, Sign Language & English language immersion. Travis families are offered a 5% discount (**coupon code is TRAVIS2021**). Spots are limited. For more information, click here: [Spanish Immersion Summer Camp.pdf](#).

Below are links to additional flyers/letters for this week:

- [Lost Forest Tennis Club Summer Tennis Camp 2021.pdf](#)

Wishing you a great week!

Sincerely,
Tom Day, Principal